

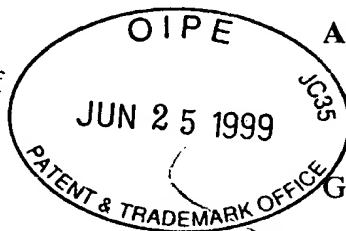
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For: MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AGAINST THE INTERFERON RECEPTOR, WITH
NEUTRALIZING ACTIVITY AGAINST TYPE 1 INTERFERON

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 1999, applicants hereby elect the
claims of Group I, claims 23-26, for prosecution in the subject application.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the
subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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